

## HOUSE RESOLUTION 79

By Moore

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Wilburn Ray “Buck” and Rosa Lee “Rose” Hazlewood on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 1961, Wilburn Ray “Buck” Hazlewood and Rosa Lee “Rose” Warren were joined in holy matrimony at Sylvan Park Free Will Baptist Church in Nashville, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, the couple met in December 1960 at a Christmas party for employees of Genesco, where Rose worked at the time; and

WHEREAS, leaving the party early to finish Christmas shopping for her family, Rose was escorted by the gentlemanly Buck on a trip to Castner Knott's department store in downtown Nashville and, when all the gifts had been purchased, Buck took Rose bowling; and

WHEREAS, Buck and Rose Hazlewood began officially dating in January 1961 and were married just three months later, at which time they relocated to Northbrook, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, their first child, Sherry Lynn Hazlewood, was born on January 14, 1962, and, three years later, their son, Danny Ray Hazlewood, was born on January 5, 1965; and

WHEREAS, about one year after the birth of their first child, Buck Hazlewood and his brothers began their own business, Hazlewood Tree Surgeons; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, Mr. Hazlewood had some major medical issues and the family moved back to Nashville, at which time Buck attended Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville and became a minister and a pastor at Oakland Free Will Baptist Church in Joelton; and

WHEREAS, upon the family's return to Nashville, Rose Hazlewood enrolled in school as well and earned her cosmetology license; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Hazlewood have been highly respected citizens of their community for many years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, they have graciously donated their time and energies to numerous organizations, including actively serving in nursing homes and churches; and

WHEREAS, Buck and Rose Hazlewood enjoy walking at their local shopping mall, playing Senior Citizen Bingo, and keeping healthy by working out at their local YMCA; and

WHEREAS, the Hazlewoods are the proud parents of Sherry Hazlewood and her husband, Brett, and Danny Hazlewood and his wife, Lisa, and they are the devoted grandparents of four grandchildren: Ryan, Brittany, Dana, and Eric; and two great-grandsons, Rysen and David; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Hazlewoods' are truly the foundation upon which our society is built and serve as a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Buck and Rose Hazlewood on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.